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TO: Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM: Deputy Director, Plans

SUBJECT: KECHTL, Rupert
Visa - Austrian

FILE IN 100-2-82

1. Reference is made to the I-57 request form concerning Rupert KECHTL, born 13 March 1915, who entered the United States on 15 September 1960. Although the files of this office contain no derogatory information concerning the subject of your request, the following information concerning one Rupert KECHTL, born 31 March 1915, who is believed to be identifiable with Subject, is forwarded as being of possible interest.

2. A report dated 5 February 1951 from a usually reliable source indicated that KECHTL, a Socialist Party (SPOe) member of the Austrian National Council and the Party Secretary for the Tyrol area, was acting as an agent of the predecessor organization of the West German Intelligence Service, to which he passed information obtained from an "intelligence net" of the SPOe. This net covered all of Austria, including the Soviet Zone and planned to specialize on information pertaining to Iron Curtain countries.

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